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The Citizen and the Republic. A Text-book on Government. By James Albert Woodburn and Thomas Francis Moran. Revised Edition. New York: Longmans, Green & Co., Pp. lxv +424.

The Catholic Citizen. By John A. Lapp, LL.D., New York: The Macmillan Co., Pp. x+247.

These two volumes have both the same general purpose, viz: to acquaint our youth with the forms of government and to produce from them good citizens. Each in its sphere is a valuable contribution to these causes. Full treatment of the duties a citizen owes to the state, and, especially in the first mentioned, a rather minute account of the elements which go to make up our somewhat complicated governmental forms, are set forth clearly. "The Catholic Citizen" of course, deals a little more specifically with the application of those sections of the recent "Pastoral Letter" which have to do with our civic status, and the illustrations depict Catholic activities to a large extent. On the other hand, "The Citizen and the Republic" is more detailed and touches many subjects that are not treated in the other volume. Its section, "How to Obtain Information" is a very excellent departure, and puts original sources at the command of both teacher and pupils. Appendices giving the text of "The Articles of Confederation," "The Constitution of the United States," and statistical tables will be found most valuable for ready reference.

Probably it would be unnecessary to use both books as texts in the same class, yet each contains so much that the other omits, that they are really supplementary. Together they make a complete survey of all that a Catholic who is at the same time a citizen of the American Republic should know of his country's government. Moreover, if he will but apply and follow the ideals set forth in these works he will not be likely to fail, either civically or religiously, in his duty towards his neighbour.

Both volumes have the high standard of mechanical excellence which so usually distinguished the output of their respective publishing houses.

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